

# Rate Setting for Hospice Providers Virginia Medicaid

- These rates are to be updated annually as required by statute.
- The hospice wage index methodology and values are based on recommendations of a negotiated rulemaking advisory committee and were originally published in the Federal Register on August 8, 1997.
- The current wage indices are published in the Federal Register / Vol. 67, No. 169/Friday, August 30, 2002/Notices
- The current CMS Transmittal A-02-059 from the regional office dated 7-10-02 guides the calculation:
- Subject: Annual Change in Medicaid Hospice Payment Rates - Action

The formula is: (Wage Component Subject to Index) times (Hospice Wage Index) plus (Unweighted Amount)

Procedure Description: Hospice Care, General Inpatient Care Procedure Code Z9433

<b>MSA Description</b>	<b>MSA Field No.</b>	<b>For FY 2003 Wage component Subject to Index</b>	<b>For FY 2003 Hospice Wage Index</b>	<b>For FY 2003 Unweighted Amount</b>	<b>Effective 10/01/2002 For FY 2003 Hospice Rate</b>
Bristol	1	\$325.18	0.9164	\$182.83	\$480.82
Roanoke	2	\$325.18	0.8902	\$182.83	\$472.31
Lynchburg	3	\$325.18	0.968	\$182.83	\$497.60
North. Va.	4	\$325.18	1.1657	\$182.83	\$561.89
Danville	5	\$325.18	0.9159	\$182.83	\$480.66
Charlottesville	6	\$325.18	1.1236	\$182.83	\$548.20
Richmond	7	\$325.18	1.0292	\$182.83	\$517.51
Norfolk	8	\$325.18	0.9123	\$182.83	\$479.49
Non-MSA	10	\$325.18	0.8764	\$182.83	\$467.82